Tea & Talk: Our Favorite Apps for Writing and Reading

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Accessibility for All

T°OLS for LIFE
Georgia's Assistive
Technology Act Program

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Our Favorite Apps: Reading and Writing

- With the introduction of Apps, we are experiencing a drastic technology evolution that is revolutionizing the field of Assistive Technology and producing positive life changing results for individuals with disabilities. Apps are assisting students by promoting more independence, increasing opportunities for inclusion, promoting depth of learning, providing equal access in educational settings and supporting smoother transitions.

- This Tea & Talk will provide participants with opportunities to learn about & share with others specific App solutions.

Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions

- Learn about the Tools for Life AppFinder

- Exploring Our Favorite Apps for Living

- Sharing Your Favorite Apps

- Q&A

For Handouts: http://www.gatfl.gatech.edu/tflwiki

TFL AppFinder

Search by:

✓ **App Name**

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- Education
- Environmental Adaptations
- Hearing
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- Navigation
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- Productivity
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Welcome to Tools for Life

Tools for Life, Georgia's Assistive Technology Act Program, is dedicated to increasing access to and acquisition of assistive technology (AT) devices and services for Georgians of all ages and disabilities so they can live, learn, work and play independently and with greater freedom in communities of their choice.

Tools for Life and the TFL Network work collaboratively together to accomplish our mission through:

- AT Demonstration
- AT Evaluations and Assessments
- AT Funding Options & Education
- Access to the TFL AT Lending Libraries
- AT & Durable Medical Equipment Reuse
- AT Training (Individual)
- AT Training (Groups)

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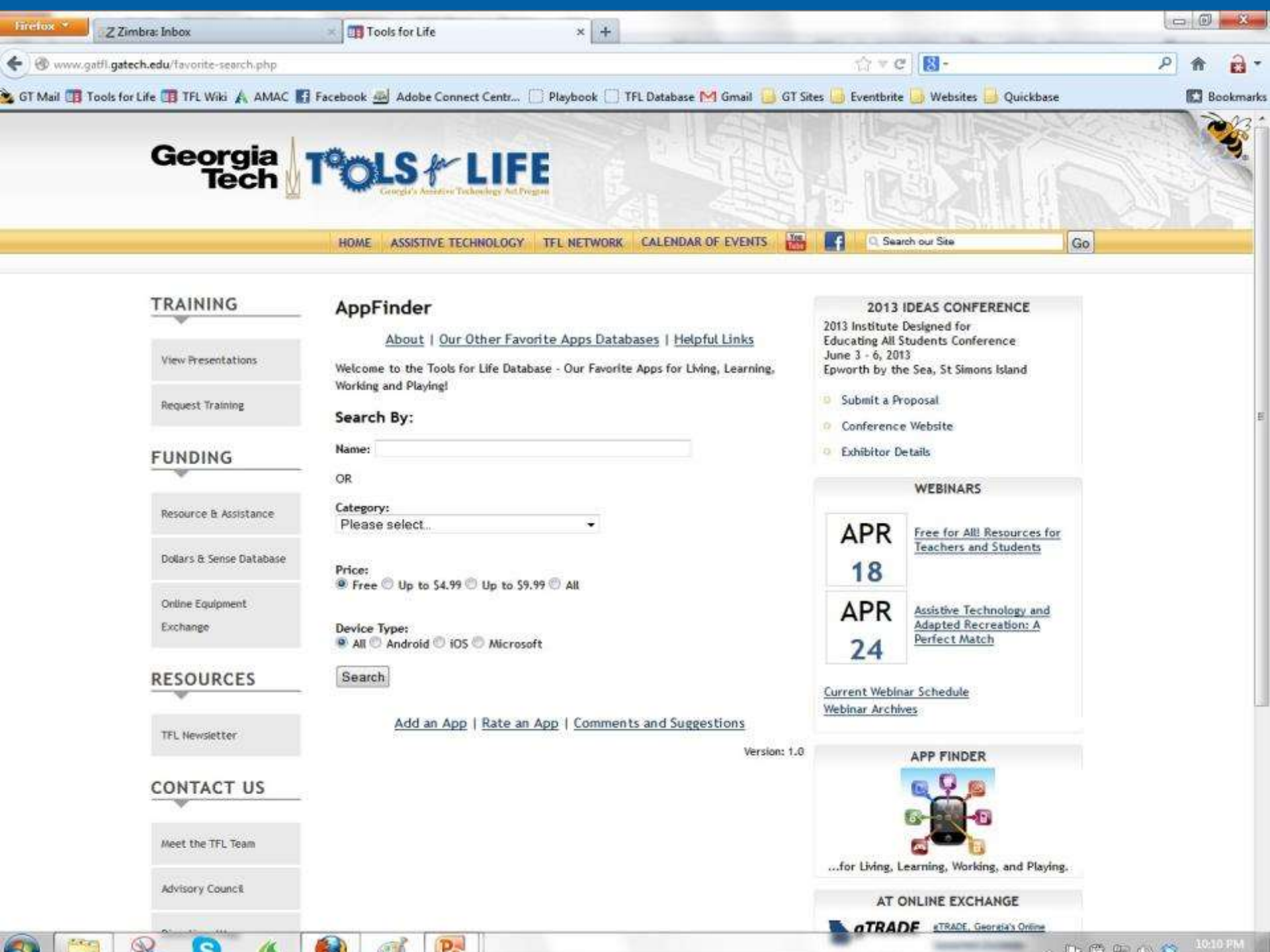- Submit a Proposal
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Z Zimbra: Inbox | Tools for Life

www.gatfl.gatech.edu/favorite-search.php

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Welcome to the Tools for Life Database - Our Favorite Apps for Living, Learning, Working and Playing!

Search By:

Name: _____

OR

Category:
Please select..

Price:
⦿ Free ○ Up to $4.99 ○ Up to $9.99 ○ All

Device Type:
⦿ All ○ Android ○ iOS ○ Microsoft

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Add an App | Rate an App | Comments and Suggestions

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My Favorite Apps

You searched for: Learning, Cognition, and Developmental

Logo	Name	Category	Device Type
	tango Video Calls Tango brings you free, high-quality mobile voice and video calls over 3G and Wi-Fi! Millions of people around the world are using Tango in an exciting new way. It	Learning, Cognition, and Developmental	iOS
No Ratings			
app icon	**i-promt** Professional Tele-prompting software for your iPhone or iPod Touch.	Learning, Cognition, and Developmental	iOS
No Ratings			
	Dragon Dragon Dictation is an easy-to-use voice recognition application powered by Dragon	Learning, Cognition, and Developmental	iOS
★★★★★ 5 stars by 1 users			
	iBooks iBooks includes the iBookstore, where you can download the latest best-selling books or your favorite classics	Learning, Cognition, and Developmental	iOS
No Ratings			
	Say Text SayText reads out loud the text in the image. It is intended for the visually impaired users. SayText is a free spin off product from the DocScanner team.	Learning, Cognition, and Developmental	iOS

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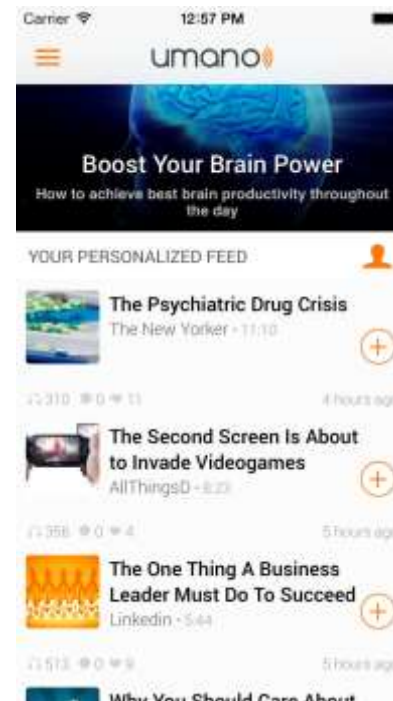
LET'S EXPLORE OUR FAVORITE APPS!
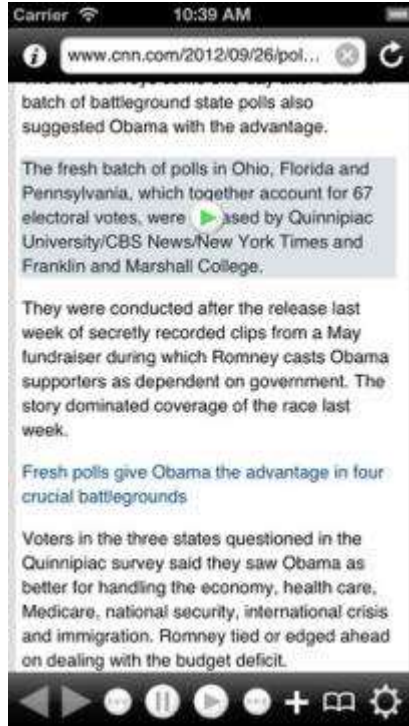
Apps for Reading and Writing

Umano

- News read to you by real people
- Make a playlist of articles
- Download to listen to offline
- Upgrade to premiun for $3.99/ month
- Free

WebReader

- Text to speech technology for reading web page content

- Web pages can be read as soon as they are loaded or use Cut, Copy, & Paste to read only sections of webpage

- Highlights as it reads text

- Speaking rate control available

- $1.99

Voice Pad

- Record lectures
- Tag the audio with notes
- Tap the audio tag next to the note to recall exactly what was said during which a specific note was taken
- Free
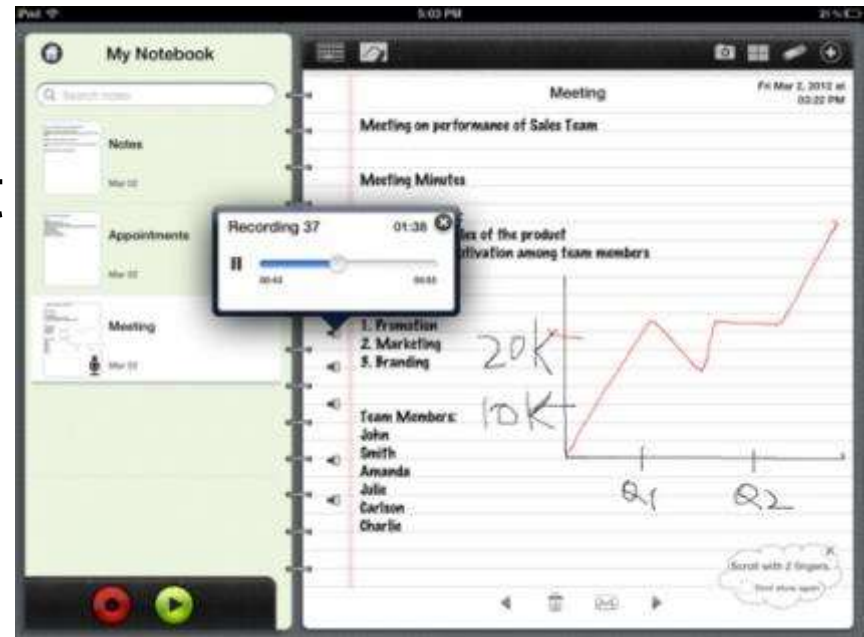
Perfect OCR

- $3.99
- Uses the built in camera to scan documents

Edit, copy, store, email documents

Upload to online storage is as Evernote

Does take practice for picture

Learning Ally

- Learning Ally
  - [DAISY](#)
  - Membership required
  - over 75,000 audiobooks, audio textbooks, and other recorded books
  - Free Trial
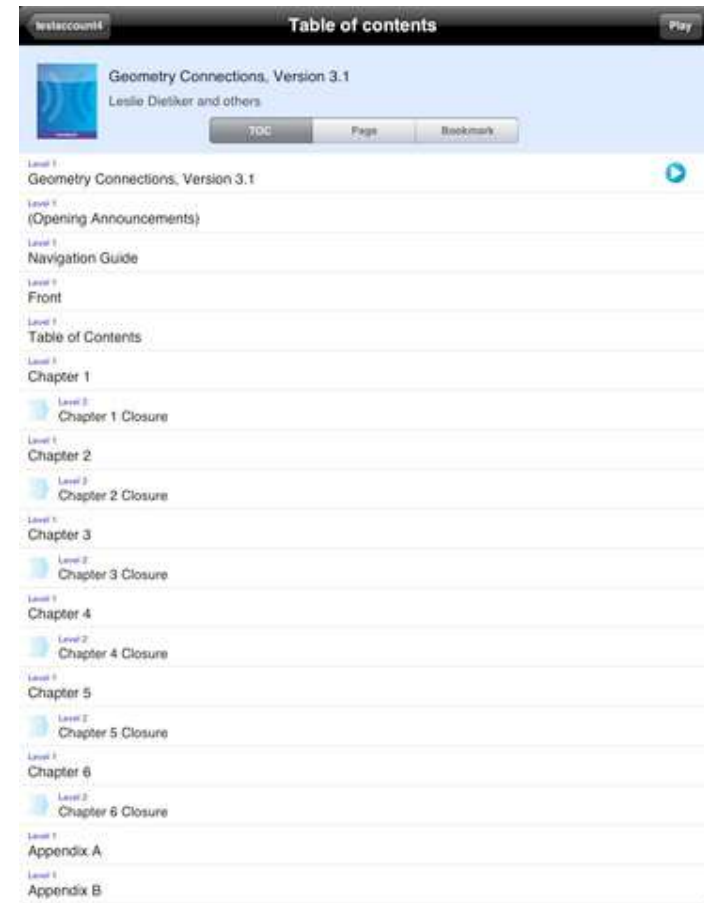
Bookshare

- Online Accessible Library
- Free membership to qualified students and schools
  - Textbooks if school is member
- 208,769 titles
- Serves individuals with:
  - Vision disabilities
  - Physical disabilities
  - Learning disabilities

Audible.com

- Digital audiobooks
- Read by Hollywood stars, authors, and professional narrators
- Listen anywhere
- Over 150,000 titles
- Membership
  - $14.95/ month for one book

ClaroSpeak US

ClaroSpeak speaks back text with high-quality speech and highlighting so you can follow the words as they are spoken.

Tap the screen to place the 'cursor point' in the text. Then tap the Play icon to start speaking. The text will be spoken from the start point with the highlighting and voice you have selected in Settings. To stop ClaroSpeak speaking, tap the Stop icon or tap anywhere in the ClaroSpeak title bar.

- Text-to-Speech
  - import documents and PDFs into ClaroSpeak from apps such as Mail, or import PDF, Word, Pages and other files directly from Dropbox using
- Change font and color
- Save text as an audio file
- Visual Tracking
- Send Text

Voice Dream

- Text to Speech
- Highlights as it reads
- Import
  - Bookshare
  - Dropbox
  - Gutenburg
  - Word Doc
  - PDFs
- Buy different voices
- Change rate of speed

- Download for later reading
- $9.99
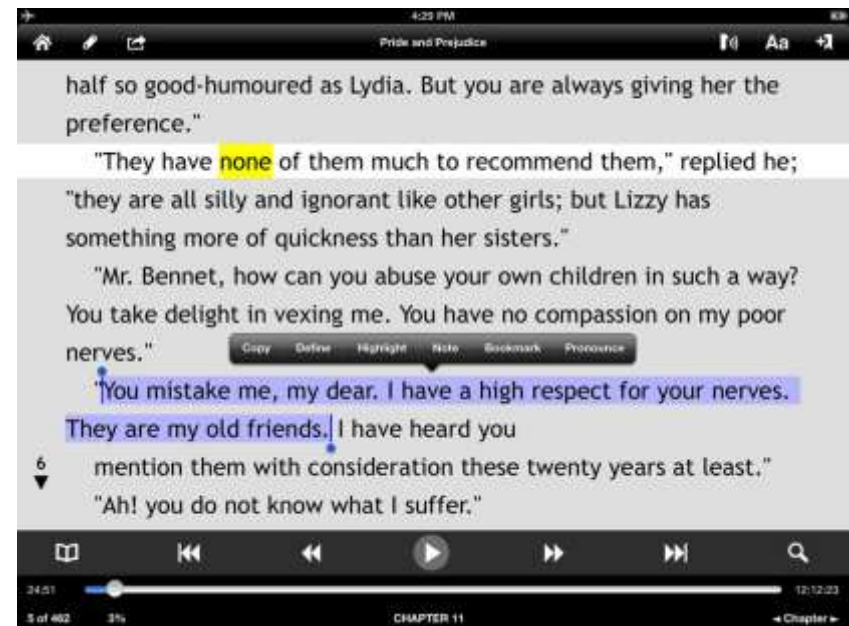
BARD Mobile

- Access directly to the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS)

- Must be registered

- Settings

- Can use with braille display

- http://www.loc.gov/nls/find.html

- Free

Firefly
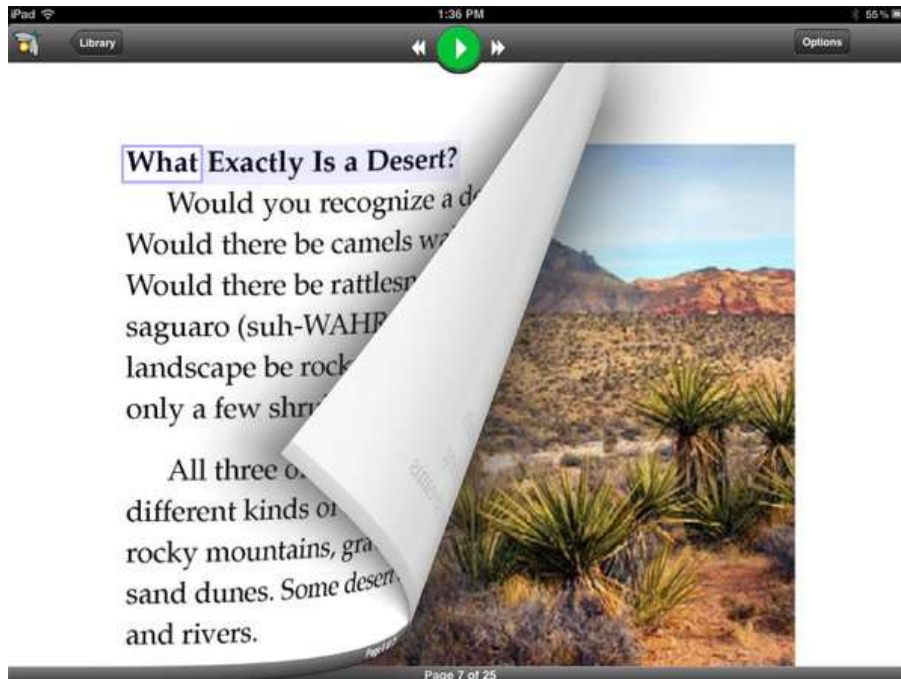
- Kurzweil 3000
- Need web license
- Read text out loud
- 4 voices
- Upload Universal Library
- Mobile access for sharing

Catch Notes

- Free
- Capture ideas instantly with voice, photo, and text notes
- Use online AND offline on your mobile phone or tablet
- Share checklists to collaborate on to-do lists
- Set reminders

iWordQ

- App version of Word Q software
- Not available with SpeechQ right now
- In context word prediciton
- Dictionary
- Text-to-Speech
- Dropbox
- Saves documents
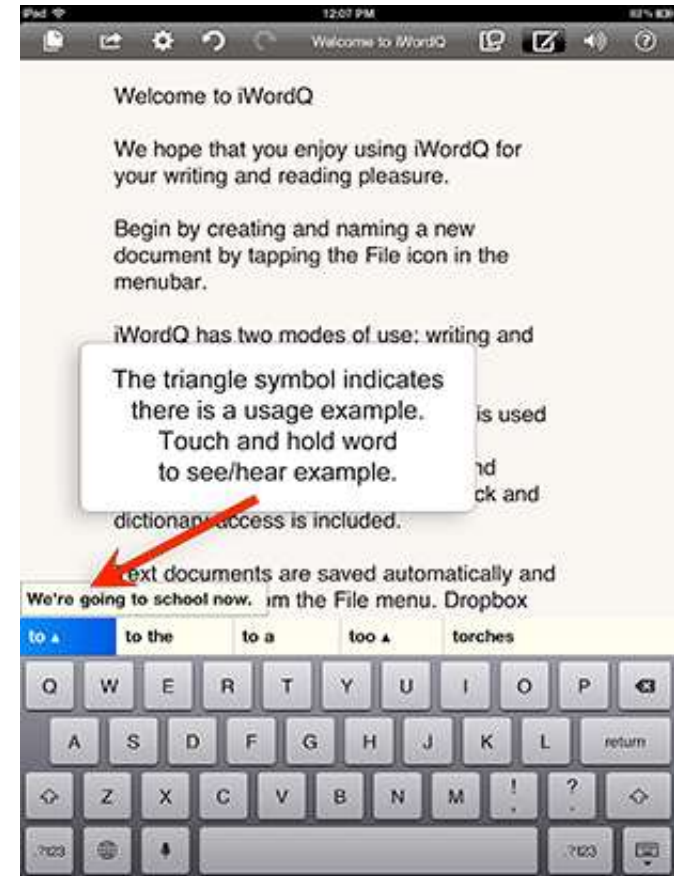
Say it & Mail it Pro

- Email voice memos
- Attach pictures
- Set preference to start recording as soon as app opens
- Add location

Ginger App

- Free

- Grammar and Spell checker

- Personal Assistant

- Use it to correct text messages, Whatsapp messages, Gmail and Outlook emails, and even social media apps such as Facebook
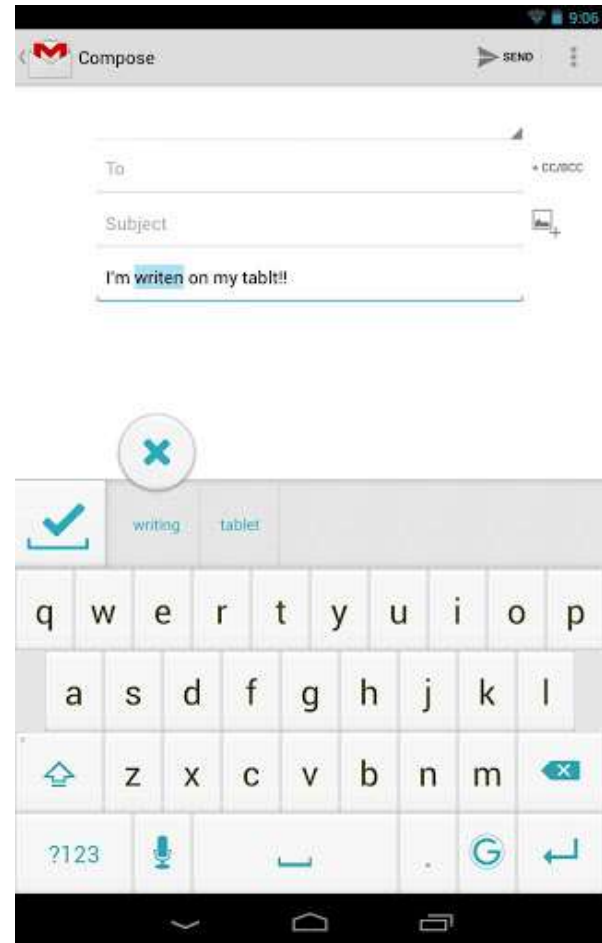
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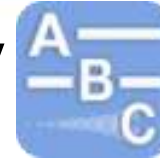
- Word Completion App
- Automatically add words if not in list
- Remembers how often you use words and offers the most frequently chosen options to you first
- E-mail Support - Send e-mails from directly within the application
- Text Message Support
- Remove misspelled or unwanted words
- Set prediction font size and window transparency
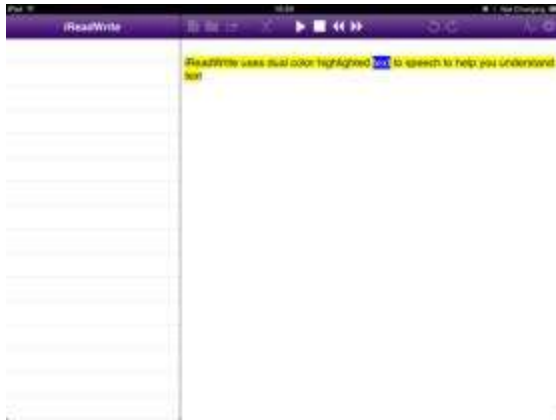
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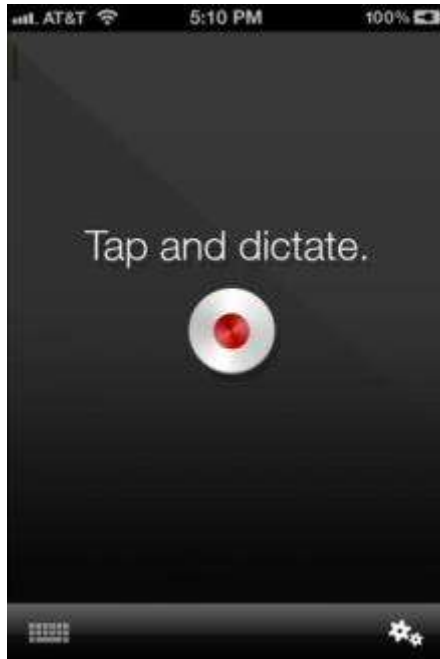
- Voice Recognition
- Free
- Dictate notes, emails, Twitter, and Facebook
- Supports many languages
- Cut, Copy, Paste
- Android
  - Dragon Go!
  - Dragon Hands Free Assistant

iWriteRead
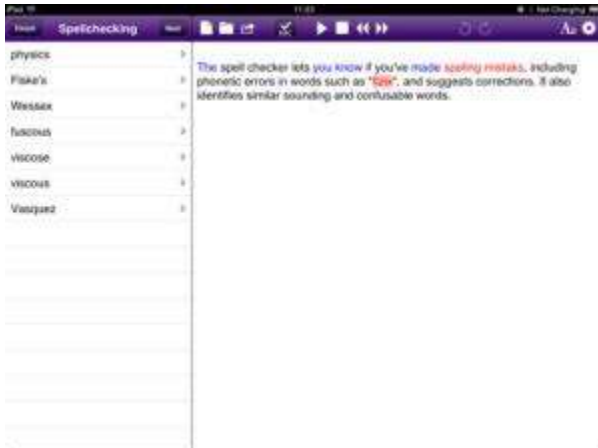
- TextHelp

- No internet needed to use

- Text-to-speech

- Word Prediction

- Phonetic Spell Checker

- Homophone and Confusables Checker

- Dictionary

- Picture Dictionary

- Customizable Background and Text Colors

- Choice of Voices and Fonts

- Importing and Sharing documents

Story Patch

- Create your own picture book
- Hundreds of included images
- Ability to import pictures
- Easy to use
- $2.99

Story Patch lets your kids create illustrated stories in a fun and intuitive way

Create, read and share stories with ease!

Talk with Us!

What are Your Favorite Apps?

Our Question to You:
What have You Learned today?

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